

# 2010 HUNTING SEASONS

Big game licenses are issued by application (available online at [www.gfp.sd.gov](http://www.gfp.sd.gov)). Season regulations accompany licenses. All elk, bighorn sheep, mountain lion, mountain goat and Custer State Park seasons are "resident only".

Hunting Season		SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY 2011	FEBRUARY 2011	Notes
Grouse <sup>1</sup> /Partridge		September 18 - January 2						<sup>1</sup> Includes sharptailed grouse, prairie chickens and ruffed grouse
Sage Grouse <sup>2</sup>		—September 29-30						
Pheasant		October 16 - January 2						
Youth only		—October 2-6						
Residents only <sup>2</sup>		—October 9-11						
Quail		October 16 - January 2					<sup>3</sup> Low Plains	
Cottontail Rabbit		September 1 - February 28						<sup>4</sup> Includes snows, blues and Ross's geese
Tree Squirrel		September 1 - February 28						
Crow		September 1 - October 31		Also open March 1 - April 30				
Common Snipe		September 1 - October 31						<sup>5</sup> Season will close before Mar 31 if a harvest limit is reached
Mourning Dove		September 1 - November 9						
Ducks	Youth only	—September 18-19						<sup>6</sup> Units in Butte, Harding, Meade, Fall River have special season dates
	North Zone <sup>3</sup>	September 25 - December 7						
	Middle Zone <sup>3</sup>	September 25 - December 7						
	South Zone <sup>3</sup>	October 9 - December 21						
	High Plains	October 9 - January 13						
Canada Geese	Unit 1	September 4 - December 19						<sup>7</sup> Portions of these season dates are antlerless only
	Unit 2	October 30 - February 11						
	Bennett County	October 16 - December 19				—Jan. 8 - 16		
Light Geese <sup>4</sup>		September 25 - December 19						<sup>8</sup> Antlerless deer only
White-fronted Geese		September 25 - December 19						<sup>9</sup> Does not include Custer State Park
Sandhill Crane		September 25 - November 21						
Tundra Swan		October 2 - December 19						
Fall Turkey		October 1 - January 31						<sup>10</sup> Units in Gregory, Mellette, Ziebach, Dewey, Corson counties have special season dates
Mountain Lion <sup>5</sup>						January 1 - March 31 ( <i>tentative</i> )		
Antelope - Archery		Aug. 14 - Oct. 1	—Oct. 18 - 31					
Antelope - Rifle <sup>6, 9, 11</sup>			Oct. 2 - 17			—Jan. 1 - 9 <sup>11</sup>		
Deer	Archery <sup>7</sup>	September 25 - January 31						<sup>11</sup> Doe/fawn only
	Muzzleloader <sup>7</sup>				December 11 - January 31			
	Youth <sup>8</sup>	September 11 - January 31						<sup>12</sup> Antlerless elk season is Oct. 16-31
	Black Hills <sup>9</sup>			Nov. 1 - 30				
	West River <sup>8, 10</sup>		Oct. 2 - 17 <sup>8</sup>	Nov. 13 - 28 <sup>10</sup>		—Jan. 1 - 9 <sup>8</sup>		
	East River <sup>8</sup>		Nov. 20 - Dec. 5 —			—Jan. 1 - 9 <sup>8</sup>		
Elk - Black Hills <sup>9</sup>		Archery: Sept. 1-30	Rifle: Oct. 1-31 <sup>12</sup>		—Dec. 1-15, antlerless only			